

HAMPTON, PHOEBUS AND OLD POINT—Continued.

STEEL HAS FRESH BREAK

Reaction of Market from Rebound More Pronounced.

PROFIT TAKING AT WORK

Drop in Sloss Sheffield Metal to Lower Price Renews Feeling of Apprehension Over Integrity of Its Dividends.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, July 30.—The reaction resulting from the rebound which developed in yesterday's stock market became more pronounced today under the play of the same forces of profit taking on the rise and demand from the reduced short interests. The Pearson syndicate settlement also lost some of its influence on speculative sentiment. A fresh break in Sloss Sheffield Steel to a lower price than yesterday renewed the feeling of apprehension over the integrity of its dividend and awakened unhelpful parallels between that and other stocks with a thin surplus margin of earnings over dividend requirements.

The violent fluctuations in the July wheat market were supposed to involve some protective liquidation in stocks. A reduction of 9,230 cars in the idle surplus for two weeks, ending July 20, reported by the American Railway Association, was a favorable development of the day. This and the sustained volume of bank clearings and the rate of gross earnings of the railroads are taken as evidence of the moderate recession of trade activity up to the present time.

The agreement by the cotton shippers upon a plan of validation of bills of lading for cotton shipments is believed to meet the requirements of foreign bankers for the advancement of funds on such bills to finance the cotton movement.

The bank statement showed that the relief from the week's liquidation has come to the trust companies and banks outside of the clearing house whose average loans contracted were \$21,104,100, while the actual loan item of the clearing house banks expanded \$20,358,800. While the deposits were increased over \$29,000,000 by the combination of the loan increase and the cash gain the latter item, which amounted to \$8,457,000 was sufficient to widen the margin of the surplus to the extent of \$1,207,300, bringing it up to \$47,226,900, a very unusual figure for this season of the year.

Bonds were irregular. Total sales, far value, \$684,000. U. S. bonds irregular on call. Total sales for the day, 225,200, including: C. & O., 3,600; L. & N., 500; N. & W., 300; Reading, 52,600; Sloss Sheffield, 3,200; Southern Railway, 600; pfd, 900; U. S. Steel, 31,900; V. C. & O., 100.

Closing List.

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W. N. Tignor

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This famous medicine for women has for thirty years proved to be the most valuable tonic and invigorator of the female organism. Women residing in almost every city and town in the United States bear willing testimony to the wonderful virtue of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. It cures female ills, and creates radiant, buoyant female health. If you are ill, for your own sake as well as those you love, give it a trial.

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Amalgamated Copper	61 1/2
American Agricultural	38
American Beet Sugar	28
American Can	8 1/2
American Car & Foundry	43 1/2
American Cotton Oil	54
American Hide & Leather pfd	25 1/2
American Ice Securities	18
American Linseed	11
American Locomotive	32 1/2
American Smelting & Refin.	64 1/2
American Smelting & Refin. pfd	100
American Steel Foundries	43
American Sugar Refining	116 1/2
American Tel. & Tel.	130 1/2
American Tobacco pfd	91
American Woolen	26
Anaconda Mining Co.	37 1/2
Atchafalpa	94 1/2
Atchafalpa pfd	97 1/2
Atlantic Coast Line	105
Baltimore & Ohio	108 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	22
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	73 1/2
Canadian Pacific	134 1/2
Central Leather	30 1/2
Central Leather pfd	100
Central of New Jersey	240
Chesapeake & Ohio	69 1/2
Chicago & Alton	25
Chicago Great Western	25
Chicago Great Western pfd	40
Chicago & Northwestern	140 1/2
Chicago, Mil. & St. Paul	120
C. C. & St. Louis	65
Colorado Fuel & Iron	36
Colorado & Southern	51 1/2
Consolidated Gas	124 1/2
Corn Products	13 1/2
Delaware & Hudson	155
Denver & Rio Grande	28 1/2
Denver & Rio Grande pfd	67 1/2
Distillers' Securities	26 1/2
Erie	23 1/2
Erie 1st pfd	37
Erie 2nd pfd	28 1/2
General Electric	136
Great Northern pfd	127 1/2
Great Northern Ore Cfs.	51 1/2
Illinois Central	129
Interborough-Met.	16 1/2
Interborough-Met. pfd	44
International Harvester	87 1/2
Inter-Marine pfd	14 1/2
International Paper	9 1/2
International Pump	39
Iowa Central	16 1/2
Kansas City Southern	26 1/2
Kansas City Southern pfd	60 1/2
Laclede Gas	94
Louisville & Nashville	132
Minneapolis & St. Louis	22
Minn. St. P. & Sault St. M.	121 1/2
Missouri, Kansas & Texas	31
Missouri, Kansas & Texas pfd	59 1/2
Missouri Pacific	49 1/2
National Biscuit	101
National Lead	48 1/2
Natl. Rys. of Mexico 2nd pfd	28
New York Central	109 1/2
New York, Ontario & Western	39
Norfolk & Western	33 1/2
North American	67
Northern Pacific	114 1/2
Pacific Mail	24
Pennsylvania	126 1/2
People's Gas	105
Pittsburg, C. C. & St. Louis	37 1/2
Pittsburg Coal	14 1/2
Pressing Steel Car	29
Pullman Palace Car	154
Railway Steel Spring	29
Reading	124 1/2
Republic Steel	28 1/2
Republic Steel pfd	88 1/2
Rock Island Co.	28 1/2
Rock Island Co. pfd	57
St. Louis & San Fran. 2nd pfd	37 1/2
St. Louis Southwestern	20
St. Louis Southwestern pfd	55 1/2
Sloss Sheffield Steel & Iron	45 1/2

Southern Pacific	109 1/2
Southern Railway	21 1/2
Southern Railway pfd	50
Tennessee Copper	21
Texas & Pacific	25
Toledo, St. Louis & West.	19
Toledo, St. Louis & West. pfd	43 1/2
Union Pacific	158 1/2
United States Realty	89 1/2
United States Realty	85
United States Rubber	30 1/2
United States Steel	66 1/2
United States Steel pfd	115
Utah Copper	43 1/2
Virginia Carolina Chemical	56 1/2
Wabash	16 1/2
Wabash pfd	32 1/2
Western Maryland	42
Westinghouse Electric	54
Western Union	60
Wheeling & Lake Erie	4

Chicago Grain Market.

CHICAGO, ILL., July 30.—Crowded galleries on the board of trade today were puzzled and disappointed. The spectators had gathered in the hope of seeing a wildly excited market, the finish of a supposed corner in the July wheat option. Today was the last day when delivery of the grain could be made, and there had been much gossip that the exchange officials might take sensational action to foil audacious speculators who were asserted to have manipulated conditions so that prices could be otherwise rushed up without mercy. Instead of a whirl of business and in place of rapidly moving quotations, onlookers witnessed a humdrum Saturday session, with a net decline of 3 1/2 to 4 1/2 in wheat for July. Other options were unchanged 1/2 up. Corn, except for July, finished 1/2 to 3/4 higher, and oats, 1/2 to 1 1/4. Closing provisions showed 1 1/4 decline to 2 1/2 advance.

Wheat—	Open	High	Low	Close
July	106	108 1/2	103 1/2	105
Sept.	102 1/2	103 1/2	102 1/2	103 1/2
Dec.	104	105 1/2	104	104 1/2
May	107 1/2	108 1/2	107 1/2	108 1/2

Corn—

July	63	63	62	62
Sept.	63	64 1/2	62	64
Dec.	60 1/2	62 1/2	60 1/2	61 1/2
May	61 1/2	64	61 1/2	63 1/2

Oats—

July	39	41	38 1/2	40
Sept.	36 1/2	37 1/2	36 1/2	37 1/2
Dec.	38	38 1/2	38	38 1/2
May	40 1/2	41 1/2	40 1/2	41

Mess Pork, per bbl.—

July	24.00	24.00	22.85	23.95
Sept.	21.60	21.62	21.50	21.67
Jan.	18.10	18.17	18.10	18.15

Lard, per 100 lbs.—

July	11.47	11.65	11.47	11.62
Sept.	11.50	11.57	11.47	11.52
Oct.	11.35	11.42	11.35	11.42

Short Ribs, per 100 lbs.—

July	11.60	11.60	11.50	11.50
Sept.	11.30	11.35	11.25	11.32
Oct.	10.85	10.95	10.85	10.92

Baltimore Grain Market.

BALTIMORE, MD., July 30.—WHEAT—spot contract, 97 1/2; southern on grade, 92 1/2@99 1/2.

CORN—nominal; spot, 70 1/2.

OATS—firm; No. 2 white, 49 1/2@50 1/2; No. 2 mixed, 46 1/2@47 1/2.

RYE—nominal; No. 2 western domestic, 75@80.

Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, July 30.—Cotton—Spot closed quiet, 10 points decline; middling uplands, 15.25; middling gulf, 15.50; sales, none. Futures opened steady and closed firm.

Open High Low Close

Aug.	15.25	15.25	15.15	15.18
Sept.	14.16	14.16	14.05	14.12
Oct.	15.65	15.65	15.49	15.60
Nov.	13.55	13.51	13.51	13.50
Dec.	13.50	13.51	13.38	13.50
Jan.	13.43	13.44	13.31	13.42
Feb.	13.47	13.48	13.38	13.47
March	13.47	13.48	13.38	13.47
May	13.46	13.46	13.46	13.35

Manufacturing Rubies.

A NOVEL and profitable industry has sprung up in Paris, that of manufacturing artificial rubies. A ruby, after all, is spite of its exaggerated value is not such a wonderful thing when its composition alone is considered. It is just plain, ordinary clay, containing a trace of chromium. This clay, however, differs from ordinary mud in that it is crystallized. At the top of the furnace used in the manufacturing a little calcined alum, mixed with the right percentage of chromium-oxide to give it the true ruby color, is placed at regular intervals by an appliance operated by an electro magnet.

This causes the powder to sift down through the oxygen gas, where it finally meets the hot zone made by the combination of the two gases, hydrogen and oxygen. The temperature of this zone varies from 3,300 to 3,600 degrees Fahrenheit. The powder fuses and drops into the platinum receptacle, and as each drop falls it unites with the others in the dish, thus forming a pear-shaped ruby resting on its stem.

Each blowpipe has an output of about 8 to 10 carats per hour, and a single operator can attend to a dozen blowpipes. Rubies weighing 80 carats can thus be built up. These rubies, after they have cooled, are split lengthwise. They are cut and polished, the fine polishing being done with tripoli and water. The cut gems,

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27th Annual Clearance Sale

is now in full force, and the people have learned to understand the meaning of this announcement. It does not mean catch-penny reductions, but a cut of 25 and 50 per cent on entire stock.

Entire Stock of Men's & Young Men's Suits

Consisting of Worsteds, Serges, Cassimeres, etc., in plain and fancy colors. Just the kind of a suit an up-to-date dresser wants—suits of fine fabrics, snappy styles and artful tailoring. Your kind of clothes, and we have your size awaiting your call.

\$ 8.50 quality	.....	\$ 4.95
10.00 quality	.....	6.95
15.00 quality	.....	8.95
18.00 quality	.....	11.95
20.00 quality	.....	12.95

Boys' Suits All Reduced

Children Suits in Worsteds and Cassimeres, Sizes 3 to 8. \$1.50 and \$2.00 Suits, now \$1.29 Boys' Suits in Knickerbocker Pants, all this season styles, Sizes, 6 to 17.

\$2.50 and \$3.00 Suits, now \$1.98

\$3.50 and \$4.00 Suits, Sizes, 6 to 17, now \$2.95

Boys' Suits in all sizes—fine Worsteds and Cassimeres, Our \$5.00, \$5.50 and \$6.00 Suits, now \$3.98

Boys' Suits all in large sizes up to 18 Our \$7.50 to \$10.00 Suits, now \$6.45

Men's Shirts

Men's Working and Dress Shirts, 50c value 39c

Men's Negligee Shirts with or without collars, 75c values 44c

LINEN BRAND SHIRTS

\$1.00 Shirts, now 75c

SUIT CASES

\$1.00 and \$1.25 Suit Cases, 24x28 inches. Special 74c

\$2.00 Suit Cases, now \$1.29

MEN'S STRAW HATS AT HALF PRICE.

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\$1.50 and \$2.00 Shoes and Oxford \$1.29

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\$2.00 and \$2.50 Shoes. Special \$1.58

Summer Underwear

50c B. V. D. and Balbriggan Underwear 39c

35c and 25c Balbriggan Underwear 19c

SUSPENDERS AND BELTS.

50c Suspenders and Belts 39c

25c Suspenders and Belts 19c

Men's 10c White Handkerchiefs. Clearance Sale 3c

Men's Socks, regular value 10c. Clearance Sale Price 7c

Men's 15c Socks, Clearance Sale Price 11c

Men's 25c Socks 19c

Men's 35c and 25c Underwear. Clearance Sale Price 19c

35c and 25c Four-in-Hand Ties 19c

MEN'S COLLARS.

15c Lion Brand Collars 11c

10c Anchor Brand Collars 8c

Our 4 Great Pants Specials

This is one of the great features of our semi-annual Clearance Sale. We offer bargains in Pants at this sale that no man can afford to miss. Note these extraordinary prices:

\$1.50 Pants, now 98c

\$2.00 and \$2.50 Pants, now \$1.48

\$2.75 and \$3.00 Pants, now \$1.98

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We have this Pant in semi-peg, full peg and regular cut in Worsteds and Cassimeres.

MEN'S KHAKI PANTS

\$1.50 and \$1.25 Pants, now 98c

\$1.00 Pants, now 79c

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ready for the market, are worth about 40 cents per carat.

The price is insignificant as compared with that of the natural Burmah ruby whose market value is almost fabulous. Chemically, optically and physically, the scientific rubies are identical the same as the natural stones. Even in both forms the slight microscopic air bubbles are present.

Handbells of All Kinds.

A CERTAIN English woman has a very fine collection of handbells, including specimens from all over the world. The bells range in size from an old English packhorse bell, weighing five pounds, to the tiny bells worn in the shoes centuries ago. There is in ecclesiastical bell of very early date with a fleur-de-lis of very early pattern on it. Other specimens are an apostolic bell, which bears the faces and emblems of the evangelists, and two China bells of the Georgian period, one formed of a queer figure in a fool's cap, with hunting scenes on the skirt of his own, the other a spectacled man in a tall cap, with a very long forefinger touching his chin.

An Elizabethan bell shows a female figure in a medieval collar and a bodice fitted with a basque. The bell portion which forms the skirt is engraved in a conventional pattern. There are models far more interesting than the English in this collection, which will doubtless some day be placed in an English museum. There are bells from Rome which were found in the Forum. One is in silver, worked in the fishscale pattern, over a thousand years old. Another is also of silver and has on it a representation of Romulus, Remus and the wolf.

There is a bell from a temple near Lhasa. This is of copper inlaid with gold, and is of great antiquity. A bell from India is of silver lattice-work, and it is said to be the only one of its kind in existence. It was found in Benin. There is a Siamese bell in the form of a dancing girl enameled in green and gold, which was one of those used for harter during the French invasion. There is a medical bell with the crown and balls of the pawnbroker, and there are bells from the tombs of Egyptian kings and from the boudoirs of famous French women.

FULLER'S Devil Crabs are the best in Virginia